

IDAHO AVIATION REPORT



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FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

As the newly appointed Administrator of the Division of Aeronautics, I am looking forward to continuing the accomplishments in Idaho aviation. Although I am new to some of you, many remember me as the editor of the *Rudder Flutter* during the early 1980's. I am enthusiastic about renewing friendships, making new acquaintances, and working to make Idaho aviation a success in the coming years.

First, I would like to thank my predecessor, Bill Miller for the job he did with the Bureau during the last five years. Secondly, I would like to extend my gratitude to John Maakestad who served as the Acting Administrator for seven months. John exceeded all expectations

in keeping the Division operating for that period of time.

My background includes an aviation career starting in 1957. I first began flying in Idaho in 1962 but did not move to Boise until 1966. I have worked in general aviation here in the state and have served in both the Idaho Air National Guard and the Army Guard. My career has included being a corporate pilot, a pilot for the State, an NTSB Aircraft Accident Investigator, and an FAA Principal Operations Inspector and Manager. I bring a number of years experience in many sectors of aviation which will aid me in this position.

I truly believe that by working together we can continue a successful aviation program in Idaho. I will rely on the support of each of you in the year ahead. My door is always open and I welcome your input. Please feel free to stop in and introduce yourself and discuss your concerns. As the weather improves, I plan to make a tour of the state and meet people who are part of the Idaho aviation community. If not before, I hope to meet

many of you at the **Aviation Conference in Lewiston on April 24-25.**

I look forward to meeting each of you in the coming year and anticipate participating with you in making great things happen in aviation in Idaho.

BILL COOPER

SECOND ANNUAL IDAHO AVIATION CONFERENCE

Inside this issue of the *Idaho Aviation Report* you will find a draft schedule of events for the upcoming Second Annual Idaho Aviation Conference in Lewiston on April 24-25, 1993 at the Ramada Inn.

Be sure to mark your calendars and make your reservations now for this exciting event. Our guest speaker for Saturday night's dinner is **Mel Spelde**, President of **Empire Airlines**. He will be sharing with us the past, present, and future of Idaho's only commercial airline. Ticket information is listed on the enclosed insert.

ANNUAL CHALLIS MOUNTAIN FLYING SEMINAR

The Frank Church River of No Return Mountain Flying Seminar will change somewhat this year, due to the increased interest and number of applications to attend.

This year there will be three separate courses offering both the supervised flying instruction and the free ground school.

If you are interested in improving your mountain flying skills, contact Bob Plummer at (208) 879-2364 for information regarding this excellent and popular seminar.

SUPERSONIC TRAINING

NEWS RELEASE-MTN. HOME AFB

Air crews from the 366th Wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base started high-altitude, supersonic training in military training airspace over Southwestern Idaho. Air Force officials have received no noise complaints since these flights started October 7, 1992.

These on-going training flights will always be flown 10,000 feet above the ground or higher and are avoiding the area around the Duck Valley Indian Reservation.

The need for realistic composite wing training requires many 366th Wing air crews to fly supersonic training sorties. The air intervention composite

wing includes F-15C Eagle air superiority fighters, F-15E Strike Eagle air-to-ground/air-to-air fighters, F-16C Fighting Falcon multi-role fighters, B-52G Stratofortress heavy bombers and KC-135R Extender tankers.

Except for the B-52s and KC-135s, all 366th Wing aircraft can fly at supersonic speeds. During a typical training mission, 366th Wing aircraft would accelerate once to supersonic speeds and maintain those speeds for approximately 20 to 30 seconds.

The effects of supersonic flight were evaluated by the Air Force in the Idaho Environmental Impact Statement. This analysis was completed in January, 1992 and the decision approving establishment of a composite wing and supersonic flights was released in March, 1992.

Persons desiring more information about this activity can call the 366th Wing Airspace Manager at (208) 828-6407 or Public Affairs at (208) 828-6800.

NEW IDAHO PILOTS AND RATINGS

Congratulations to Daniel W. Stone and Calvin K. McDonald who received their private ratings from CFI/Examiner Sam Ralston!

Remember, if you are a CFI/Examiner, call in your student's accomplishments. We'll be happy to share their news.

CONFERENCE BOOTH SPACE AVAILABLE

Booth space will be available at the Second Annual Idaho Aviation Conference in Lewiston for interested exhibitors!

If you are interested in reaching Idaho pilots to let them know about your services, products, etc. call Ray Glidden at (208) 334-8776 for cost and other details.

IN MEMORY

Merrill Christensen, the long time owner of Rexburg Air Service, passed away on February 25, 1993 after a brief illness. Merrill's contributions to Idaho aviation will keep him forever in our thoughts. A scholarship in his memory is being established at Idaho State University. If you would like information concerning contributions to the fund, please contact Sharon Laird, at Aeromark in Idaho Falls, (208) 524-1202.

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FREE COLLEGE AVIATION/SPACE EDUCATION INFORMATION PUBLICATION NOW AVAILABLE

The Federal Aviation Administration has recently released its 93-page Post-Secondary Aviation & Space Education Reference Guide.

This work lists over 500 aviation and space program-offering U.S. colleges and universities. Also included are detailed descriptions of 12 collegiate aerospace degree areas and more than 20 scholarship source possibilities. A copy of the Guide can be obtained by writing or calling: Phillip S. Woodruff, Director of Aviation Education, FAA Headquarters, AHT-100, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591 - (202) 267-3471.

HELENA FAMILY FLY-IN

The Annual Family Fly-in sponsored by the FAA, Montana Aeronautics Division and the Idaho Division of Aeronautics is scheduled for July 2, 3, and 4 of this year in Helena, Montana.

For further information you may contact John Goostrey, FAA, 334-1238.

More details will be available in the next issue of the *Idaho Aviation Report*.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

The **Second Annual Idaho Aviation Career Education (ACE) Academy** will be held July 25-30, 1993 on the Boise State University campus.

The Academy is for Idaho students ages 14-17 who are interested in the aviation field. Annually, 40 students from around the state will get the chance to learn about careers in aerospace and aviation from speakers and field trips.

Although this event is co-sponsored by the Idaho Aviation Hall of Fame, Federal Aviation Administration, Boise State University, and the Idaho Division of Aeronautics; funds are still needed.

Clearly, we need continued community support to keep this program viable and meaningful for the students. We need your commitment of financial support or services to help defray expenses of this event. If you can help us, please send your tax deductible contribution to: Idaho Aviation Hall of Fame, P.O. Box 6378, Boise, ID 83707 or call (208) 334-8776 to donate goods or services.

Please help us give Idaho students an exciting chance to "see into the future".

If your student is interested in this program, or if you know of someone who might be, please contact us at the Division of Aeronautics and we will send them an application for enrollment.

IDAHO'S BEST KEPT SECRET

While *Money Magazine* was busy leaking the carefully guarded secret that Boise is one of the finest cities in the country in which to pursue the American dream, a secret even more surprising to Boise residents themselves remained safe from public disclosure - until now. . .

Here at **SkyStar Aircraft Corporation**, where the KIT-FOX is comfortably nestled amid all persuasions of G.A. aircraft at the Nampa Airport, we are constantly amazed at a glaring reality: While we get phone calls from all over the world, every day, most people in the Treasure Valley are not even aware that they live in the aviation production capitol of the world! Idaho truly does lay claim to the most airplanes produced, sold, and shipped (nearly 4,000 since 1984) than anywhere else in the world!

SkyStar, and our partner-in-industry, **Avid Aircraft**, of Caldwell, are responsible for the majority of aircraft being sold today. The success of these kit-plane companies has gained them worldwide recognition.

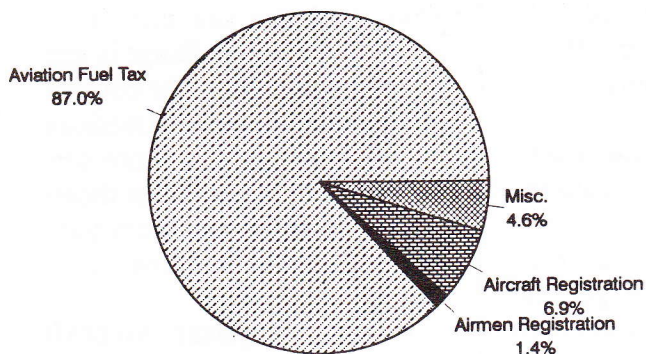
So, now that the rest of the world knows we're here, its time for our own state to meet the neighbors up the road. Both **Skystar** and **Avid** are happy to meet and greet their neighbors. Just give us a call, and tell us when you'd like to come out and visit. We'll put the kettle on...

Susan J. Downs

AVIATION AND AIRPORT DATA FOR FY92

Revenue

\$936,982

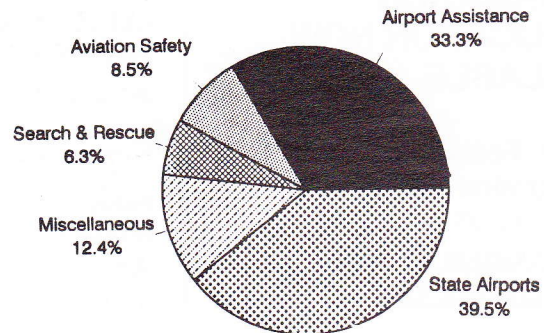


NUMBER OF AIRPORTS IN IDAHO:

71 Private
79 Community Access
49 Emergency/Recreational

Expenditures

\$991,685



FUNDS SPENT FOR AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT:

\$13,261,446 Federal
257,428 State
1,532,565 Local

IDAHO STATISTICS:

2,085 Registered Aircraft
2,457 Registered Airman
31 Accidents
16 Fatalities
45 ELT Activations

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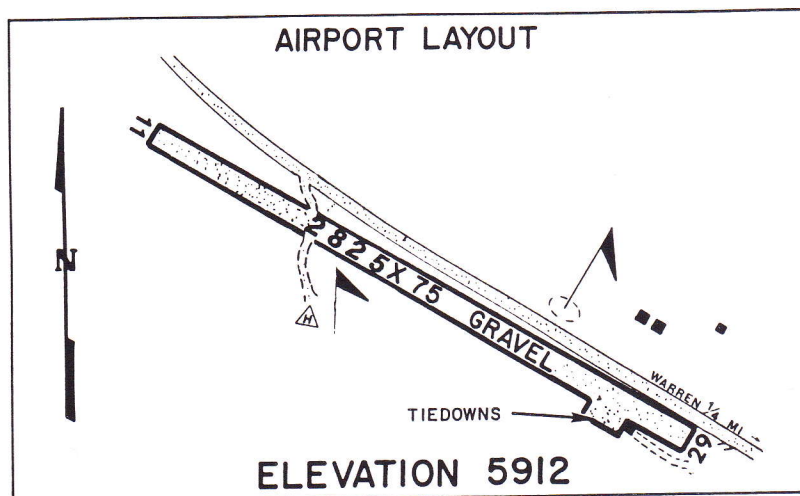
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Coulson Creek

<u>Restrictions</u>	<u>REQUIRES PRIOR PERMISSION BY OWNER</u>
OWNER	<u>W.H. EHRSTROM</u>
ADDRESS	<u>2145 SOUTH GRANT</u> <u>POCATELLO, ID 83204</u>
TELEPHONE	<u>(208)232-4962-HOME 234-1211-WORK</u>
LATITUDE	<u>45° 18' 3" N</u> <u>LONGITUDE 114° 31' 9" W</u>
LOCATION	<u>COULSON CREEK, 34 MILES DOWN RIVER FROM</u> <u>NORTH FORK, IDAHO</u>
ELEVATION	<u>3100 FT. ESTIMATED</u> <u>R/W HDG 06/24</u>
RUNWAY LENGTH	<u>1200 FT.</u> <u>R/W WIDTH 60 FT.</u>
SURFACE	<u>DIRT</u>
REMARKS	<u>REQUIRES WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM OWNER PRIOR</u> <u>TO USE.</u>

Castle Creek

<u>Restrictions</u>	<u>REQUIRES PRIOR PERMISSION BY OWNER</u>
OWNER	<u>DICK MCAFEE</u>
ADDRESS	<u>P. O. BOX 2008</u> <u>SALMON, IDAHO 83467-0865</u>
TELEPHONE	<u>BACKCOUNTRY RADIO VIA CHALLIS AVIATION</u> <u>(208)879-2372</u>
LATITUDE	<u>44° 49.2'</u> <u>LONGITUDE 114° 26.14'</u>
LOCATION	<u>25 MI. WEST OF CHALLIS</u>
ELEVATION	<u>6200'</u> <u>R/W HDG E/W</u>
RUNWAY LENGTH	<u>1800'</u> <u>R/W WIDTH 50'</u>
SURFACE	<u>GRAVEL - DIRT</u>
REMARKS	<u>ONE-WAY, LAND UPSTREAM TO EAST. TAKE OFF</u> <u>DOWNSTREAM TO WEST. EMERGENCY - USE AT</u> <u>PILOTS OWN RISK.</u>

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